

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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RIO TINTO PLC,

Plaintiff,

- v -

VALE, S.A., *et al.*,

Defendants.
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Case No. 14-cv-3042-RMB-MHD

MOTION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF APPEARANCE AND ~~PROPOSED~~ ORDER

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, pursuant to Local Rule 1.4, Karen E. Abravanel respectfully moves to withdraw her appearance as attorney for Defendant Mahmoud Thiam and for the Court to direct the Clerk to remove her name from the electronic docket in this case. In January 2015, Ms. Abravanel will be taking a position with another company. Sullivan & Worcester LLP will continue as counsel for Defendant Mahmoud Thiam.

Dated: New York, New York
December 31, 2014

Respectfully submitted,

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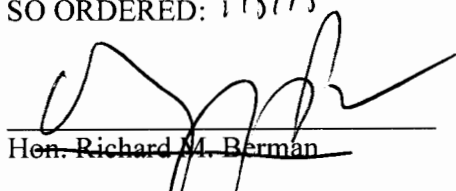
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SO ORDERED: 1/5/15


Hon. Richard M. Berman

HON. ANDREW J. DECK
United States Magistrate Judge
Southern District of New York

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